THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

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WRIT PETITION NO : 21309 of 2004

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Dated: 03.08.2005

Between:

Recreation and Cultural Society, regd. No. 475/04
registered Under Act 35/2001 D. No. 1-121, Paritala,
Kanchikacharla Mandal Krishna District rep by Secretary,
Nelakurti Appa Rao S/o Sri Kotaiah

..... PETITIONER

AND

Superintendent of Police Machilipatnam Krishna District and others.

…. RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

Recreation and Cultural Society, a society statedly formed for providing culture and recreation facility to its members, filed the present writ petition seeking a writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to forbear from interfering/obstructing the Petitioner-Society from conducting the Card Room where the members and guests of the petitioner-Society are allowed to play the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (13 card game).

A Division Bench of this Court in **Twin Cities Cinema Cultural Centre v. Commissioner of Police, A.P., Hyderabad** while clarifying the judgment of the learned Single Judge, disposed of the matter in the following manner.

> …The police authorities cannot obstruct the writ petitioner-Club from conducting card room where the members and guests of the writ petitioner's cultural centre are allowed to play the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game). At the same time, we make it clear that the police is always at liberty to enter the premises and check as to whether the cultural centre of the Club is conducting card room where the members and guests of petitioner's cultural centre are playing the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game) for the purpose of verification. If they receive any intimation, the police may enter the club and verify the same and

proceed further if the members and guests of writ petitioner's cultural centre play other than the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game). The police authorities are also at liberty to proceed with the cases, which are already registered. The writ appeal is disposed of accordingly.

Following the same, the writ petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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(V.V.S.RAO, J)

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